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FM AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5029
INFO AMEMBASSY LUSAKA PRIORITY
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SUBJ: CODEL DIGGS

REF: STATE 71503

- 1. DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL HAS INQUIRED AS TO EXACT ITINERARY OF CODEL DIGGS. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS RECEIVED TELEGRAM DATED MARCH 21 FROM CAMEROONIAN AMBASSADOR BINDZI IN WASHINGTON INFORMING THEM THAT CODEL EXPECTED ARRIVE CAMEROON MARCH 29 AND REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS WITH PRESIDENT AHIDJO AND FOREIGN MINISTER KEUTCHA.
- 2. WHILE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE CALLED FOR CODEL TO FLY FROM LUSAKA TO DOUALA ON 28TH, REFTEL (WHICH SENT PRIOR TO MESSAGE RECEIVED BY GURC FOREIGN M)NISTRY) INDICATES CODEL TAKING CAMEROON AIRLINES FROM

NAIROBI TO KINSHASAON 29TH AND NOT CONTINUING TO DOUALA.

3. IT IS SUSPECTED THAT CAMEROON AMBASSADOR'S TELEGRAM IS BASED ON PREVIOUS ITINERARY AND REFTEL IS STILL CURRENT. HOWEVER, SINCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AMBASSADOR BINDZI DID REQUEST MEETINGS WITH CHIEF OF STATE AND FOREIGN MINISTER, PROTOCOL HAS ASKED US TO RECONFIRM CODEL'S SCHEDULE. THEREFORE IMMEDIATE RESPONSE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. MITHOEFER

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